

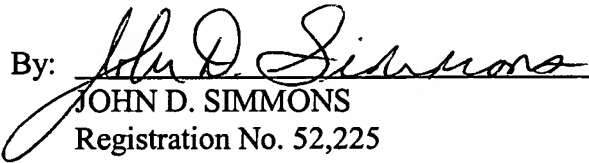
REMARKS

Claims 1 to 8 are pending in the application.

The purpose of this amendment is to further amend claim 1. Such amendment is formal in nature and no new matter is added by the above amendments. Entry of this amendment and early examination of this application are respectfully solicited.

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